

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1101–S1168

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 193–197 and S. Con. Res. 2. **Page S1144**

Omnibus Appropriations Resolution: Senate continued consideration of H.J. Res. 2, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1101–22, S1123, S1132–34**

Adopted:

Schumer Further Modified Amendment No. 31, to provide funds for research and development grants to increase security for United States ports. **Pages S1101, S1104–05**

Rejected:

Harkin Amendment No. 32, to restore funding for nondiscretionary Byrne grants to a level of \$500,000,000. (By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 6), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S1101–04**

By 46 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 7), Byrd Amendment No. 36, to nullify all across-the-board rescissions contained in this joint resolution. **Pages S1105–13**

McCain Amendment No. 44, to strike certain provisions with respect to U.S.-flagged passenger vessels. (By 62 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 8), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S1115–22, S1123**

During consideration of this measure today, the following action occurred:

A McCain point of order was raised that certain remarks by Senator Byrd violated Rule XIX1(b) of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and therefore were not in order. The Chair issued a reminder to Senator Byrd that, pursuant to Rule XIX1(b), debate must be germane and confined to the specific question pending before the Senate for the first three hours that any business has been laid before the Senate. **Page S1113**

A subsequent McCain point of order against the remarks by Senator Byrd was ruled by the Chair that the remarks by Senator Byrd were germane to the pending question, and therefore were in order. **Page S1113**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the resolution at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, January 21, 2003. **Page S1166**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that all first degree amendments to the resolution be filed at the desk by 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2003, with the exception of the manager's amendments. **Page S1137**

AMBER Alert—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of S. 121, to enhance the operation of the AMBER Alert communications network in order to facilitate the recovery of abducted children, to provide for enhanced notification on highways of alerts and information on such children, and the Senate then proceed to its consideration, and that Senators Hutchison and Leahy be recognized for five minutes each to debate the measure; and the bill then be read three times and a vote occur on final passage. **Page S1166**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—8) **Pages S1104, S1112–13, S1123**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:39 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, January 21, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1166.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Thomas J. Ridge, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Ridge, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Specter, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 8, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2003.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 20 through January 25, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will not be in session.

On *Tuesday*, at 10:30 a.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.J. Res. 2, Omnibus Appropria-

tions Resolution. At 5:05 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of S. 121, AMBER Alert, with a vote on final passage to occur at approximately 5:15 p.m. Also, Senate may consider the nomination of Thomas J. Ridge, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: January 21, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Asa Hutchinson, of Arkansas, to be Under Secretary for Border and Transportation, Department of Homeland Security. (New Position), 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

House Committees

No committee meetings are scheduled.